

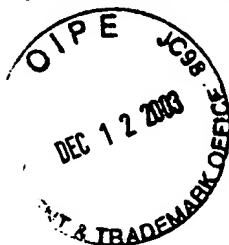
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Tadashi FUJII et al.

Serial No. 09/762,230

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: ATTN: AF

: Confirmation No. 1705

: Docket No. 2001-0116A

: Group Art Unit 1652

GENE PARTICIPATING IN THE PRODUCTION
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: Examiner Christian L. Fronda

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of
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The fee of \$950.00 is

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() to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is
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() Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion
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Respectfully submitted,

Tadashi FUJII et al.

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